

PROVIDING COMPENSATION FOR DUTY VOLUNTARILY PERFORMED ON THEIR DAYS OFF BY OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE METROPOLITAN POLICE FORCE, THE UNITED STATES PARK POLICE FORCE, AND THE WHITE HOUSE POLICE FORCE

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Mr. HUNT, from the Committee on the District of Columbia, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany S. 489]

The Committee on the District of Columbia, to whom was referred the bill (S. 489) to provide compensation for duty voluntarily performed on their days off by officers and members of the Metropolitan Police force, the United States Park Police force, and the White House Police force, having considered the same, report favorably thereon with amendment and recommend that the bill, as amended, do pass.

The amendment is as follows:

Page 1, strike out all of line 9 and the words "personnel strength" on line 1 of page 2, and in lieu thereof insert the following:

(e) For each day a vacancy exists in the personnel strength for which funds are appropriated by applicable appropriation acts current in any fiscal year

The purpose of this bill is to allow payment to members of the Metropolitan Police force, the United States Park Police force, and the White House Police force, for work on a sixth day in any week, where such services are required because of existing vacancies in authorized personnel strength.

On August 15, 1950, the President approved an act (Public Law 693) granting a 5-day week for officers and members of the Metropolitan Police force, the United States Park Police force, and the White House Police force. Because of difficulties in recruiting sufficient men to bring the force to authorized strength, this 5-day week has not yet been placed in effect, and all members of the forces have continued to work 6 days without additional compensation. This bill would permit payment for services voluntarily performed on a sixth day, where such services are required because of vacancies in authorized strength. Such additional pay will be at the rate of

one three hundred and sixtieth of the officers' annual salary. The present bill will materially assist the Civil Service Commission and the Metropolitan Police Department in recruiting the additional personnel necessary to bring the force to its full complement.

The bill has the approval of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, the District of Columbia Policemen's Association, and was unanimously reported by the full committee.

CHANGES IN EXISTING LAW

In compliance with subsection (4) of rule XXIX of the Standing Rules of the Senate, changes in existing law in the bill, as reported, are shown as follows (existing law proposed to be omitted is enclosed in black brackets, new matter is printed in italics, existing law in which no change is proposed is shown in roman):

[PUBLIC LAW 693—81ST CONGRESS]

[CHAPTER 715—2D SESSION]

H. R. 7695]

AN ACT To provide a five-day week for officers and members of the Metropolitan Police force, the United States Park Police force, and the White House Police force

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) every officer and member of the Metropolitan Police force, the United States Park Police force, and the White House Police force shall be granted two days off in each period of seven days, which shall be in addition to the annual leave and sick leave to which he is entitled by law.

(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), whenever the Commissioners of the District of Columbia declare that an emergency exists of such a character as to require the continuous service of all officers and members of the Metropolitan Police force, it shall be the duty of the major and superintendent of police to suspend and discontinue the granting of such two days off in seven during the continuation of such emergency.

(c) Notwithstanding subsection (a), whenever the Secretary of the Interior declares that an emergency exists of such a character as to require the continuous service of all officers and members of the United States Park Police force, it shall be the duty of the superintendent of National Capital Parks to suspend and discontinue the granting of such two days off in seven during the continuation of such emergency.

(d) Notwithstanding subsection (a), whenever the Chief of the Secret Service Division finds that an emergency exists of such a character as to require the continuous service of all officers and members of the White House Police force, he shall suspend and discontinue the granting of such two days off in seven during the continuation of such emergency.

(e) *For each day a vacancy exists in the personnel strength for which funds are appropriated by applicable appropriation acts current in any fiscal year in any particular rank of the Metropolitan Police force, the United States Park Police force, or the White House Police force, the major and superintendent of police, the Secretary of the Interior, and the Chief of the Secret Service Division may permit an officer or member of their respective forces of such rank voluntarily to perform duty on any day off granted under this Act. Each such officer or member shall be entitled to receive, in addition to his annual basic salary, compensation at the basic daily rate (one three-hundred-and-sixtieth of his annual basic salary) for each day of duty voluntarily performed under this subsection, such additional compensation to be paid from current appropriations. Any officer or member so volunteering to perform duty on a day off shall be entitled to all rights, benefits, and privileges, and shall be subject to all obligations and duties, to which he is entitled or to which he is subject on any regular work day. Additional compensation paid under this subsection shall not be considered as salary for the purpose of computing retirement compensation or relief payments under section 12 of the Act entitled "An Act making appropriations to provide for the expenses of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year*

ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and seventeen, and for other purposes", approved September 1, 1916, as amended, nor shall such additional compensation be subject to deduction as provided in section 5 of the Act entitled "An Act to fix the salaries of officers and members of the Metropolitan Police force and the Fire Department of the District of Columbia," approved July 1, 1930, as amended.

SEC. 2. The first sentence of section 203 (a) of title 3, United States Code, is amended by striking out the words "one hundred and ten" and by inserting the words "one hundred and thirty-three" in lieu thereof.

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect when funds have been appropriated and made available for the additional personnel necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act.

Approved August 15, 1950.

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